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Item

**Park Improvement Projects Update**

Date

3/11/2015

Description

**City of Bloomington**  
**Parks & Recreation Improvement Projects Update**  
**March 11, 2015**

1. **Red Haddock Baseball Field Improvements** – The construction contract has been closed out and the City has taken control of the building. Staff is exploring options for additional improvements to finish the overall field improvement project this spring.
2. **Normandale Lake Park Parking Lot Reconstruction** – The City is working in cooperation with Three Rivers Park District to reconstruct the existing Chalet Road parking lot, as well to build a new parking lot to the north of the existing lot. While the lots are open and in use, there are a few punch list items that will need to be addressed in the spring. It appears that the project will be completed under budget.
3. **2015 Park Improvement Projects** – the City has hired CEI Engineering to provide planning, design and construction management services for the playground replacement projects at DuPont Playlot and Hampshire Hills Park. The planning and design work will take place this spring with the project being bid out in late May. Construction is anticipated to begin in mid-July and should be substantially completed by the end of September.
4. **Valley View Playfield Tennis Courts** – The bid specifications for the reconstruction of the courts are currently under review by the City's Purchasing and Legal staff. We anticipate soliciting bids by early April and begin work this June. The cost estimate for this work has increased from the previous estimate of \$150,000 to \$235,000 due primarily to increased bituminous and labor costs.
5. **Future Project Planning** – Once the City Council approves the 2015 – 2019 City CIP, Parks and Recreation staff will begin the process for the planning, design and bidding for the 2015 projects. The actual construction will likely not begin until 2016. These projects include:
  - a. City/School Joint Projects (elementary school playground replacement) - \$135,000
  - b. Natural Resources Restorations - \$54,000
  - c. Northcrest Playground - \$93,500
  - d. Parking Lot Lighting Improvements - \$50,000

Requested Action

No action required.

Attachments: